

DEFICIENCY AND SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATES OF AP-
PROPRIATIONS, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, 1933, 1939,
AND 1940

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A DEFICIENCY ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR 1933 IN THE SUM OF \$91.67, AND SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATES
OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 1939 AND 1940
IN THE SUM OF \$57,067, AMOUNTING IN ALL TO \$57,158.67, AND
TWO DRAFTS OF PROPOSED PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO EX-
ISTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

FEBRUARY 16, 1939.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered
to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, February 16, 1939.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration
of Congress a deficiency estimate of appropriation for the fiscal year
1933 in the sum of \$91.67, and supplemental estimates of appropria-
tions for the fiscal years 1939 and 1940 in the sum of \$57,067, amount-
ing in all to \$57,158.67, and two drafts of proposed provisions per-
taining to existing appropriations, for the Department of State.

The details of these estimates and the proposed provisions, the
necessity therefor, and the reason for their transmission at this time
are set forth in the letter of the Acting Director of the Bureau of the
Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observa-
tions thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,
Washington, February 15, 1939.

The PRESIDENT,
The White House.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a deficiency estimate of appropriation for the fiscal year 1933 in the sum of \$91.67, and supplemental estimates of appropriations for the fiscal years 1939 and 1940 in the sum of \$57,067, amounting in all to \$57,158.67, and two drafts of proposed provisions pertaining to existing appropriations, for the Department of State, as follows:

Allowance to widows or heirs of Foreign Service officers who die abroad,
1933----- \$91. 67

The above amount is to cover a claims settlement certified by the Comptroller General as chargeable to an appropriation which is exhausted and which will require a deficiency appropriation for payment, in accordance with General Accounting Office Circular No. 21 of June 25, 1925.

Printing and binding, Department of State, 1939----- \$15, 000

This estimate is composed of \$5,000 for printing the answer of the United States to the memorial of the Netherlands as provided by the convention signed March 18, 1938, between the two countries for the arbitration of a difference relating to payment for certain military supplies, and \$10,000 for printing the texts and analyses of the trade agreements with the United Kingdom and Canada.

The Department of State advises that no provision was made for these expenses in the appropriation for printing and binding for the current fiscal year, and that if the present appropriation is used for this purpose it will necessitate the cancelation of some projects of the regular publication program of the Department for which funds were specifically provided.

Salaries of ambassadors and ministers, 1940----- \$15, 000

It has been decided to raise the status of the American diplomatic missions in Colombia and Venezuela from legations to embassies, and it is understood that similar action will be taken by these countries with respect to their diplomatic missions in the United States.

There is included in the Budget for the fiscal year 1940 amounts of \$10,000 each for the salaries of envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary to Colombia and Venezuela, and the purpose of this estimate is to provide for the salaries of ambassadors extraordinary and plenipotentiary to these countries at the rate of \$17,500 per annum each, which is the salary of the other ambassadors.

United States contributions to international commissions, congresses, and
bureaus, 1940----- \$27, 067

Section 60 of the treaty concluded November 14, 1924, between the United States and other American republics provides that for the purpose of discharging the functions and duties imposed upon the Pan American Sanitary Bureau a fund of not less than \$50,000 shall be collected by the Pan American Union, apportioned among the signatory governments on the same basis as are the expenses of the Pan American Union; and the directing council of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau at a session held at Washington, D. C., in 1929, passed a resolution, which was adopted by the Ninth Pan American Sanitary

Conference, providing that in order to facilitate the keeping of accounts the rate will be 21.5 cents American gold for every 1,000 inhabitants until increased by competent authority or changed by fluctuations in population in the respective countries.

A resolution adopted by the Tenth Pan American Sanitary Conference held at Bogota, Colombia, in 1938, to which the delegation of the United States agreed, provides that, subject to approval by the governments members of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, the said Bureau shall be provided with a fund of not less than \$100,000 yearly, apportioned at the rate of 40 cents American currency for every 1,000 inhabitants.

There is included in the Budget for the fiscal year 1940 as the quota of the United States toward the maintenance of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau an amount \$31,455.75 computed at the rate of 21.5 cents per 1,000 inhabitants, but the amount required at the rate of 40 cents per 1,000 inhabitants would be \$58,522.75, leaving \$27,067 to be provided in order to meet the obligation of this country.

PROPOSED PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS

OFFICE AND LIVING QUARTERS, FOREIGN SERVICE, 1939

The appropriations for office and living quarters, Foreign Service, fiscal years 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939, each contain a limitation of \$1,140,000 on the amount which can be expended for allowances for living quarters, including heat, fuel, and light. The Department of State advises that the number of persons receiving such allowances has increased from 1,277 in 1936 to 1,374 in 1939 and that as nearly as can now be estimated \$1,160,000 will be required for this purpose during the current fiscal year.

UNITED STATES CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONS, CONGRESSES, AND BUREAUS, 1938

The act of June 28, 1935 (49 Stat. 425), providing for participation by the United States in the Interparliamentary Union, authorizes an appropriation of \$20,000 annually, with a provision that \$10,000 shall be for the annual contribution of the United States toward the maintenance of the Bureau of the Interparliamentary Union, and \$10,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for the expenses of the American group of the Interparliamentary Union.

There was provided by the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1938, under the appropriation for United States contributions to international commissions, congresses, and bureaus, for the Bureau of Interparliamentary Union for Promotion of International Arbitration, \$20,000, including not to exceed \$10,000 for the expenses of the American group of the Interparliamentary Union. The Third Deficiency Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1937, made the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the expenses of the American group of the Interparliamentary Union in the Department of State Appropriation Act, 1937, available for the same purposes for the fiscal year 1938.

Pursuant to the above authorization \$3,941.13 was transferred to the appropriation for United States contributions to international commissions, congresses, and bureaus, fiscal year 1938, for the ex-

penses of the American group of the Interparliamentary Union, making a total of \$13,941.13 available for this purpose, but there was expended \$14,013.97, or \$72.84 in excess of the amount available.

There is an unexpended balance of approximately \$18,000 in the appropriation for United States contributions to international commissions, congresses, and bureaus, fiscal year 1938, and the Department requests that not to exceed \$72.84 of this unexpended balance be made available for the expenses of the American group of the Interparliamentary Union in addition to the amount provided for this purpose for the fiscal year 1938.

The foregoing estimates and the proposed provisions are to meet contingencies which have arisen since the transmission of the Budgets for the fiscal years involved, and their approval is recommended.

Very respectfully,

F. J. BAILEY,
Executive Assistant

(For and in the absence of the Acting
Director of the Bureau of the Budget).

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